

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

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OF RIDGELEA INVESTMENTS, INC. OF)	
FARMGATE, EDGEWOOD AND MEADOWBROOK)	CASE NO. 2008-00378
WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITIES IN)	
FRANKLIN COUNTY, KENTUCKY)	

O R D E R

On August 29, 2008, Ridgelea Investment, Inc. ("Ridgelea"), a sewer utility, tendered for filing an Application for Rate Adjustment for Small Utilities ("ARF"). Ridgelea is a Kentucky corporation whose principal office is located in Cincinnati, Ohio. Ridgelea serves the following subdivisions located in Franklin County, Kentucky: Farmgate, Edgewood, and Meadowbrook.¹ Ridgelea also provides wastewater services to Grantland Estates Subdivision in Grant County, Kentucky.

A petition was received by the Commission from several customers of Ridgelea relating to issues of service and maintenance of the wastewater treatment plants. A copy of the petition is appended hereto as Appendix A. The Commission finds that a case should be established in order to address these issues and investigate the operation of Ridgelea's wastewater treatment facilities in Franklin County, Kentucky. Commission Staff has been directed to inspect the facilities and to issue a report, which will be filed in the record of this case and served upon Ridgelea. The Commission

¹ Case No. 2003-00184, Application of Ridgelea Investments, Inc. for Purchase of Sewage Treatment Facilities of Mulberry Enterprises, Inc. (Ky. PSC Sept. 12, 2003.)

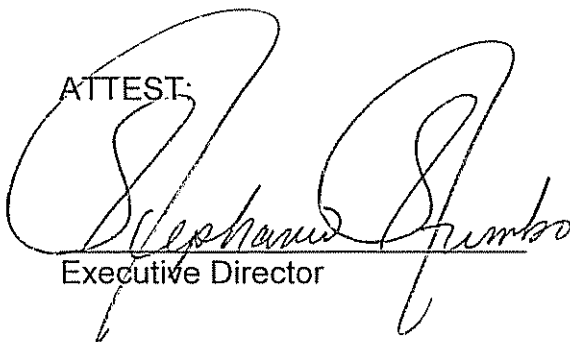
anticipates that Commission Staff will file its report within 30 days and that a procedural schedule will be issued thereafter.

The Commission, on its own motion, HEREBY ORDERS that this case is established to investigate Ridgelea's wastewater treatment facilities in Franklin County, Kentucky.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 18th day of September, 2008.

By the Commission

ATTEST:


Stephanie Humber
Executive Director

APPENDIX A

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2008-00378 DATED SEPTEMBER 18, 2008

Executive Director
Public Service Commission
211 Sower Boulevard
P.O. Box 615
Frankfort, KY 40602

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**PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION**

Dear Sir,

By petition and in response to the attached notice of proposed rate increase for services by Ridgelea Investments, post marked August 7, 2008, the signing property owners of Michael Blvd. and Rosco Court in Frankfort Kentucky, by motion request that the Public Service Commission allow these customers and affected property owners to intervene, and arbitrate negotiations between parties involved.

The petitioning customers and property owners request that specific improvements to service and maintenance be part of any rate increase. The signing customers and property owners further request that the improvements be made within 1 year of the start of any rate increase and that the facility shall remain in compliance with regards to the requested improvements.

The treatment plant on Michael Blvd. consists of a pump that agitates exposed wastewater and then discharges into an adjacent creek/drainage ditch. The disrepair of the fence and exposed treatment methods pose a threat to the safety of the children that play in and around the creek/drainage ditch. The facility often emits an offensive odor and visible discharge into the creek/drainage ditch.

The petitioning property owner's requests are as follow:

- 1) A substantial improvement in the treatment of waste products collected by the treatment system resulting in the elimination or substantial reduction of detectable emissions (both liquid and air borne) from the treatment plant.
- 2) The erection of an improved safety barrier around treatment plant.
- 3) Significant reduction of noise generated by treatment plant equipment.
- 4) Erection of a privacy fence to improve appearance of treatment plant.

Elimination or Substantial Reduction of Treatment Plant Emissions:

- Currently emissions produced by the treatment plant are frequently visible both in the creek/drainage ditch and by a strong odor of raw sewage. At times odor is intolerable to the point that surrounding residents avoid going outside

and close windows and doors. *The elimination or substantial reduction of these emissions is requested*

Safety Barrier:

- Current fencing for the wastewater facility is in need of repair due primarily to age and weather. *Repair or replacement of this fence is requested.*
- Grating that is suppose to cover the treatment facility is either missing or not in place. *Replacement of grating and specific required use of grating is requested.*
- Chemical bottles are stored around the facility just inside the fence and are subject to weather and accessible to neighborhood children that play in the area. *An adequate storage building/container is requested for chemical materials used by the treatment plant are requested.*

Noise Reduction/Improved Appearance of Treatment Plant:

- The exposed treatment plant equipment creates enough noise to make it difficult to carry on a conversation as far away as thirty (30) feet and can be heard throughout the neighborhood. The chain link fence does little to hide treatment activates as wells as treatment chemicals. *A privacy fence is requested around the parameter of the treatment plant.*

Petitioning Residents:

<u>Chris Craig</u>	<u>443 Michael Blvd. (229-1686)</u>	<u>9/2/08</u>
Resident	Address	Date

<u>Kelly Craig</u>	<u>443 Michael Blvd</u>	<u>9-2-08</u>
Resident	Address	Date

<u>Patty + Bobby Brewer</u>	<u>571 Michael Blvd</u>	<u>9-2-08</u>
Resident	Address	Date

<u>David + Pauline Roberts</u>	<u>533 Michael Blvd</u>	<u>9-2-08</u>
Resident	Address	Date

<u>Phillip Hughes</u>	<u>165 Michael Blvd</u>	<u>9-02-08</u>
Resident	Address	Date

Scott Hughes 165 1/2 Michael Blvd 9-2-08
Resident Address Date

Brad May 417 Michael Blvd 9-2-08
Resident Address Date

Dawn May 417 Michael Blvd. 9-2-08
Resident Address Date

Doug Green 331 Michael Blvd 9-2-08
Resident Address Date

Lillie May 353 Michael Blvd 9-2-08
Resident Address Date

Winston May 353 Michael Blvd. 9-2-08
Resident Address Date

Eric May 31 Roscoe Ct 9-2-08
Resident Address Date

Bonny Jewell 450 Michael Blvd 9/3/08
Resident Address Date

Dina Green 331 Michael Blvd 9/3/08
Resident Address Date

Julie Allison 315 Michael Blvd 9/3/08
Resident Address Date

Bill A 284 Michael Blvd 9/3/08
Resident Address Date

Ray & Phyllis Anderson 440 Michael Blvd 9/3/08
Resident Address Date

Notice

This is to inform you that Ridgelea Investments, Inc. is requesting an increase in the sewer rates as follows:

	Existing	Proposed
Flat Monthly Rate	\$22.10	\$30.00

The rates contained in this notice are the rates proposed by Ridgelea Investments, Inc. However, the Public Service Commission may order rates to be changed that are higher or lower than the rates proposed in this notice.

Any corporation, association, body politic or person may request leave to intervene by motion within thirty (30) days after notice of the proposed rate change is given. A motion to intervene shall be in writing, shall be submitted to Executive Director, Public Service Commission, 211 Sower Boulevard, P. O. Box 615, Frankfort, Ky. 40602, and shall set forth the grounds for motion, including the status and interest of the party movant.

Copies of the application may be obtained at no charge from Ridgelea Investments, Inc. at: 2106 West North Bend Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45224.

Upon request from an intervenor the applicant shall furnish to the intervenor a copy of the application and supporting documents.

Ridgelea Investments, Inc.

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